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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**COMPONENT FOR PRODUCING POLYMER MIXTURES BASED ON STARCH, AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE COMPONENT**

the specification of which (check only one item below):

- ☐ is attached hereto.
- ☐ was filed as United States application  
Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
on \_\_\_\_\_,  
and was amended  
on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).
- ☒ was filed as PCT international application  
Number PCT/DE98/03385  
on November 16, 1998,  
and was amended under PCT Article 19  
on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

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TITLE: **COMPONENT FOR PRODUCING POLYMER MIXTURES BASED ON STARCH, AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE COMPONENT**

SMALL ENTITY DECLARATION

☐ FOR INDEPENDENT INVENTOR(S)

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that I am an independent inventor who (1) has not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, and (2) is under no obligation under contract or law, to assign, grant, convey, or license, any rights in the invention, to any person who could not likewise be classified as an independent inventor if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern or a nonprofit organization, as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c).

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I hereby declare that BIOP Biopolymer GmbH is a business concern which qualifies as a small business concern as defined in §1.9(d) - namely, (1) whose number of employees, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons; and (2) which has not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, and is under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern or a nonprofit organization under this section; and that the exclusive rights to the invention have been conveyed to and remain with the above-identified small business concern.

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Each of the undersigned hereby grants the firm of **COLLARD & ROE, P.C.**, 1077 Northern Boulevard, Roslyn, New York 11576, U.S.A., the power to insert in this Small Entity Declaration any further identification which may be necessary or desirable to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for filing and acceptance of this Declaration.

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